

Fact Sheet

From Tramps to Kings: Zulu 100 Years Opening January 10, 2009

The Exhibit

This yearlong exhibit explores the origins, the unique Carnival traditions, and the cultural and civic contributions of Zulu from 1909 to the present.

Tramps to Kings features more than 100 artifacts donated by members of Zulu, as well as, the Museum, the Historic New Orleans Collection, Tulane University. Costumes of the royal court, Zulu's comic parade characters including the Big Shot of Africa, the Witch Doctor, and the Ambassador as well as photographs and personal memorabilia document the history of Zulu. Highlights include movie footage from 1920 of Zulu parading down St. Charles Avenue, a replica of the five-step process for decorating coconuts from the box spring to the wire hand brush, a 1949 souvenir booklet signed by Louis Armstrong and carnival costumes from across the century.

Location:

Louisiana State Museum The Presbytere, Jackson Square 751 Chartres Street New Orleans, Louisiana 504.568.6968

Website:

www.trampstokings.com

Sponsors:

From Tramps to Kings: Zulu 100 Years is presented in partnership with the Zulu Social Aid & Pleasure Club, and is sponsored by the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Louisiana Museum Foundation, Friends of the Cabildo and the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities.

Hours and Admissions:

From Tramps to Kings: Zulu 100 Years will be on display in the Presbytere Tuesday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for students, seniors and active military. Children under twelve-years old are admitted free of charge.